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MANILA FOR RDO

1. NEGOTIATION OF NOTES RE IMPLEMENTATION OF JAPANESE
PORTION OF MICRONESIAN CLAIMS AGREEMENT SUCCESSFULLY CON-
CLUDED ON MARCH 2. EXCHANGE OF NOTES PLANNED FOR MARCH
L3, PROVIDED JAPANESE EMBASSY HAS CABINET APPROVAL WHICH
THEY ASSURE US IS ROUTINE.

2. OTHER THAN A FEW MINOR EDITORIAL REVISIONS, AGREED
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CHANGES WERE TO ADD QUOTE CONTROLLED BY JAPANESE NATIONALS
UNQUOTE TO SECTION DESCRIBING DESIGNATED BANK FOR
DEPOSITS, AND IN FOLLOWING PARAGRAPH TO ADD WORDS QUOTE
BY CHECK DRAWN BY THE USG UNQUOTE TO SECTION ON PAYMENTS.

SINCE FUNDS IN QUESTION
ARE APPROPRIATED BY GOJ WE FELT COMPELLED TO AGREE.
LANGUAGE MENTIONING CHECKS WAS ADDED SINCE THAT IS STANDARD
TREASURY PROCEDURE WHICH VARIES FROM JAPANESE SYSTEM OF
MAKING PAYMENTS AGAINST DOCUMENTS. TREASURY ACCOUNTS WERE

DESCRIBED IN PLURAL, SINCE THERE WILL PROBABLY BE SEVERAL
TIME DEPOSITS WITH DIFFERENT MATURITIES.

3. JAPANESE ASSURED US OFFICIAL STATUS AND PRIVILEGES
OF INTERIOR DEPT PROCUREME028 121724 Z

POSITIONS. AS FANK TROOPS WERE DRIVEN OUT, THE KI ENTERED
AND BURNED THE VILLAGES, DESTROYING THE NEWLY
HARVESTED RICE CROP.

4. REFUGEES FURTHER INDICATED THAT KI WERE FIGHTING
WITH ONLY NVA LOGISTIC SUPPORT. A REPORT FROM CHAU DOC
DATED MARCH 9 STATES THE MORE NEWLY ARRIVED
REFUGEES ARE BLAMING THE NVA FOR THE DESTRUCTION.

5. APPROXIMATELY 5000 CAMBODIAN REFUGEES ARE NOW IN CHAU
DOC. THEY HAVE COME FROM THREE AREAS IN CAMBODIA: PRABAT
CHERN CHUM, 7 KM FROM THE TINH BIEN BORDER STATION; AND
CONDAT AND KIRIVON, 20 KM AND 35 KM RESPECTIVELY FROM THE
STATION. LOCAL GVN AUTHORITIES ARE ESTABLISHING A TEM-
PORARY REFUGEE SITE FOR THEM.

6. MOST RECENT REPORTING FROM CHAU DOC CONFIRMS THAT FANK CON-
TINUES TO HOLD FOUR OUTPOSTS ALONG HIGHWAY 2, BETWEEN
KOMPONG CHREY AND TINH BIEN. FANK FORCES HAVE BEEN RE-
SUPPLIED BY THE DELIVERY OF ARTILLERY AND SMALL ARMS
AMMUNITION FROM SOUTH VIETNAMESE STOCKS. FANK OUTPOSTS
ARE LOCATED AT KOMPONG CHREY DISTRICT TOWN AT THE
JUNCTION OF HIGHWAY 2 AND HIGHWAY 205 (VS 793947), THE
PRABAT CHEAM CHUM DISTRICT TOWN (VS 865767), AND TWO
BASES AT VS 873757 AND VS 903718.

7. THE FOUR OUTPOSTS ARE REPORTEDLY THE ONLY FANK PRESENCE
IN THE ENTIRE BORDER AREA SOUTH OF HIGHWAY 205. BOTH KIRI-
VUNG DISTRICT AND ROMENH, THE CAPITAL OF KOH ANDRET
DISTRICT, FELL MONTHS AGO. VIETNAMESE MILITARY SOURCES
ESTIMATE THAT SHORTAGES OF FOOD AND AMMUNITION WILL
EVENTUALLY DRIVE OUT THE REMAINING OUTPOSTS, PERHAPS
BEFORE THEY ARE ATTACKED BY KI OR NVA.

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